



## GEMINI SOLAR PROJECT EIS SCOPING MEETING

### What is the Gemini Solar Project?

In 2017, Solar Partners XI, LLC amended an existing application with the BLM requesting authorization to construct, operate, maintain, and decommission an approximately 690-megawatt photovoltaic (PV) solar electric generating facility and associated generation tie-line and access road facilities, on approximately 7,100 acres of land administered by the BLM. The project is located approximately 25 miles northeast of Las Vegas, along Interstate-15, in close proximity to Apex Industrial Park and south of the Moapa Reservation, in Clark County, Nevada

The Project would include:

- ◇ The PV Solar Array—including solar panels, internal energy collection systems, and integrated battery storage
- ◇ Infrastructure—including internal roadways, fire breaks, an Operations and Maintenance Facility, drainage systems
- ◇ Transmission Systems—up to three internal substations, gen-tie lines to Crystal Substation, upgrades to Crystal Substation

### Environmental Documentation

To authorize this project, the BLM would need to approve the application for a right-of-way grant and amend the 1998 Resource Management Plan for the Las Vegas Field Office to change the designation of the Project site to allow solar development.

The BLM will produce an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate the potential environmental, social, and economic impacts at the proposal site.



## HOW TO SUBMIT INPUT

The purpose of today's scoping meeting is to provide the public and regulatory agencies an opportunity to comment on the scope of the EIS and to identify issues that should be addressed in the environmental document.

Input may be submitted by any of the following methods:

Email	Fax	Mail
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## HOW TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE INPUT

### Do:

- Provide new information or data
- Be specific and clearly identify:
  - ◊ How is your input relevant?
  - ◊ How should your input be incorporated into the EIS?
  - ◊ Physical location associated with your input
  - ◊ What the issue is
  - ◊ Why you believe this
- Provide constructive solutions with documentation or resources to support your recommendations
- If applicable, include your experience as it related to your observations and input

### Don't:

- Use vague statements or concerns. Vague statements do not give the BLM direction to act
- Understand that your input is a vote for or against one of the alternatives. The BLM must rely on supporting information, not on the quantity of information received
- Use form letters to convey your point. Your unique way of writing or phrasing your input is important for understanding your point of view

### Helpful:

*Please be sure to identify the water needs for the project, quantify how much water would be used, and potential sources of that water. Given limited availability of water and particularly, groundwater, I would like to see use minimized as much as possible.*

### Not So Helpful:

*There should be more alternatives in different areas.*  
This input doesn't contain supporting information or rationale, such as where, how many, how large, why, or provide information to support the statement.



## SCHEDULE

